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Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. Attorney Docket No. SHO-0068 **DECLARATION FOR** First Named Inventor **UTILITY OR DESIGN** Hiroaki KUKITA **COMPLETE IF KNOWN** PATENT APPLICATION Application No. March 26, 2004 Filing Date □ Declaration Declaration submitted with or submitted after Group Art Unit **Examiner Name** initial filing initial filing As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (only if one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **CONNECTOR UNIT** (Title of the Invention) the specification of which is attached hereto was filed on March 26, 2004, as United States Application Number X I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 (a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed. Prior Foreign Application Number(s) Foreign Filing Date Priority. Certified Copy Attached Country (MM/DD/YY) Not claimed YES 2003-092360 **JAPAN** 03/28/2003 Additional foreign application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet PTO/SB/02B attached hereto: I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below. Filing Date (MM/DD/YY) Additional provisional application Application Number (s) numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet PTO/SB/02B attached hereto.

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